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SUBJECT: Telephone Call from Mr. John M. Gromin, Library of Congress

REFERENCE: Memorandum for the Record, 1 May 1957, subject; Discussion

with Mr. John W. Cronin, Library of Congress

Mr. Cromin telephoned to apprise me of most recent developments with regard to the possibility of a Library of Congress representative in Moscow. He said that they had just completed their hearings before the Congressional Appropriations Committee and that the Librarian of Congress made an excallent presentation of the case. At his request the entire discussion was off the record. The Librarian of Congress was asked why he couldn't get money to support his program from either the Department of State or Department of Defense. The Library of Congress re-emphasized its own need for this type of appointment. Cromin said that the Appropriations Committee was talking in terms of cuts all the time. He was not sure what will be the final outcome of their proposal.

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